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Amendment

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To: House Bill No. **5453** File No. 190 Cal. No. 305

"AN ACT CONCERNING FARM WINERIES."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 30-16 of the general statutes, as
- 4 amended by section 146 of public act 03-6 of the June 30 special
- 5 session, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 6 (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 7 (e) A manufacturer permit for a farm winery shall be in all respects
- 8 the same as a manufacturer permit, except that the scope of operations
- 9 of the holder shall be limited to wine and brandies distilled from grape
- 10 products or other fruit products, including grappa and eau-de-vie. As
- 11 used in this section, "farm winery" means any place or premises, of five
- 12 <u>acres or more,</u> located on a farm in the state in which wine is
- 13 manufactured and sold. Such permit shall authorize the sale in bulk by

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the holder thereof from the premises where the products are manufactured pursuant to such permit and shall authorize the holder thereof to sell from such farm winery premises to a retailer wine manufactured by the farm winery permittee in the original sealed containers of not more than fifteen gallons per container and to sell or deliver such wine or brandy to persons outside the state. Such permit shall also authorize: (1) The offering and tasting of free samples of such wine or brandy to visitors and prospective retail customers for consumption on the premises of the farm winery permittee; (2) the selling at retail from the premises sealed bottles or other sealed containers of such wine or brandy for consumption off the premises; and (3) the selling at retail from the premises wine by the glass and bottle to visitors on the premises of the farm winery permittee for consumption on the premises, provided a town may, by ordinance or zoning regulation, prohibit any such offering, tasting or selling at retail at premises within such town for which a manufacturer permit for farm winery has been issued. No licensed farm winery may sell any such wine or brandy not manufactured by such winery, except a farm winery may sell wine manufactured by another farm winery located in this state. The farm winery permittee shall produce within the state an average crop of fruit equal to not less than [fifty-one] thirty-eight per cent of the fruit used in the manufacture of the farm winery permittee's wine. An average crop shall be defined each year as the average yield of the farm winery permittee's two largest annual crops out of the preceding five years, except that during the first seven years from the date of issuance of a farm winery permit, an average crop shall be defined as three tons of grapes for each acre of vineyard farmed by the farm winery permittee. The annual fee for a manufacturer permit for a farm winery shall be two hundred forty dollars."

This act shal	l take effect as follows:
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